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*The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government* (1881), written by the former President of the Confederate States of America during the American Civil War, is a straightforward history of the Confederacy and an apology for the causes that he believed led to and justified the Civil War.

Davis spares little detail in describing every aspect of the Confederate constitution and government, in addition to which he retells in detail numerous military campaigns. Far more compelling in the views of Davis' contemporaries and to modern scholars are Davis' thoughtfully constructed arguments as to the constitutional and moral justification of the formation of the Confederacy and of the Civil War. Davis cites numerous constitutional passages, constitutional scholars, and American political leaders to prove his thesis that secession was justified.

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